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## WE GIVE GOLD TRADING STAMPS.

### OUR LINE OF WASH GOODS IS UNSURPASSED.

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### SPECIAL Embroidery Sale

**WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,**

**MAY 4th and 5th.**

Our muslin underwear sale was a complete success in every respect and those who did not take advantage of it missed a great opportunity. NOW, you'll have the chance of your life to buy EMBROIDERIES at unheard of prices for we've secured some exceptionally fine lots at an unusual price and we will put them on sale on the days mentioned.

Not a yard will be sold until that date in order that we may spread the news to everyone. To make it easier to wait in the crowds we've divided them into lots

**AT 5 cts a yard,** there are embroideries that are worth up to 12 1-2c

**AT 10c a yard,** are the cream of the offerings. Hamburg and Swisses up to 13 inches in width and worth up to 35c, will be sold at 10c the yard.

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They are positively the best made, best fitting garments ever sold at the price. You can choose from a wide range of pure wool fabrics, made up in the latest styles, and every garment possesses the excellence of hand tailoring throughout. See them in the windows.

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## SPECIAL! NEXT WEEK IN THE Bargain Department.

**13 1-2 inch WASH PANS for 5 CENTS.**

#### PYRMONT.

THE FARMER A NOBLEMAN.

Lo, yonder comes a nobleman.  
Yea, tho' his face is mottled with tan,  
Show me a nobler if you can.

His garb is coarse, and soiled and torn,  
Old fashioned too and threadbare worn  
And to the fopling looks forlorn.

But mark each limb and sinewy limb,  
Neither too gross nor yet too slim,  
God and himself have given him.

God and himself I dare repeat,  
Through labor have performed the feat  
And made the noblest man you meet.

—Dyce in Coleman's Rural World.

In aggressive moments if there is any following to be done let the other fellow do it.

The man that wants little here below ought to be satisfied with an investment in the steel or the ship-building trust.

The membership of the American Society of Equity numbered sixteen in the vicinity of Hickman, before the demonstration at the Court House on Wednesday evening 27th inst. This was brought about by a personal canvass by its representative, the Deputy President of this district. Farmers are enthusiastic and hail the movement with delight; they see in it the emancipation of the farmer from the avicious greed of middlemen, speculators and gamblers, who heretofore have bought their products at ruinously low prices, and held them in elevators and cold storage houses until the bulk was stored when the profits which justly belong to the producer went into the pockets of the class specified above. The society is making herculean efforts to get the farmers thoroughly organized before this season's crops are gathered, so that at last they can reap the benefits of their toil themselves. Meetings for this district are called as follows: Sylvan Shade, Simmons School House, Saturday April 30 at 7 p. m., Hazel Dell, Wednesday May 4 at 7 p. m., and at Montgemery School House Saturday, May 7, at 7 p. m. Other meet-

ings will be called in rapid succession until the whole district is covered. We hope farmers will hear these dates in mind and turn out en masse. Bring your families or plow the old yards up and keep them fresh.

Have you ever thought seriously of the propositions frequently referred to in the Courier with reference to truck farming? Have you stopped to consider what an acre of tomatoes, measured in the hills or treated with a very slight sprinkling of nitrate of soda would produce? Making a very conservative estimate, an acre would yield one hundred and 20 bushels. At 50 cents per bushel, again conservatively estimated, the net can easily be figured. We use the above only as an illustration as to the profits from this class of farming. Some may have a choice of one crop and some another. This is as it should be and then no particular product would be overdone. The marketing of these products is the easiest proposition. When a neighborhood or district draws attention to itself for prime vegetables of a superior quality, the market comes to it as naturally as that water seeks its level. Last year there was a strong and active demand for tomatoes, string beans, peas and other vegetables in northern markets; in consequence they brought fancy prices. From present indications vegetables will be as scarce there this year as last. Don't fear to venture. Take hold as an experiment and we predict you will be in it to stay.

#### POULTRY POINTERS.

Feed the laying hens at day break and sundown and keep them working the entire time between.

Lice always attack poultry more when they are in an unhealthy condition than when well fed and properly cared for.

Coots in which young chickens are housed should be moved about frequently, at least twice a week as the place becomes filthy and in consequence unhealthy.

Move your poultry yards to a new place every year or two, as the old place becomes infested with vermin and disease germs, where there is impracticable dig or plow the old yards up and keep them fresh.

Young chicks should not be fed with very wet and soggy food, it sours in their stomachs and it makes them feverish and unthrifty. After a few days they should be fed a prepared chick food, composed of crushed mixed grains, charcoal, grit, bone meal and beef scrap; it can be bought at a nominal figure and is one of the essentials of success in poultry raising.

Poultry raising has become one of the leading industries in the last decade, and the demand is far in excess of the supply; but to be successful the prospective poultry man must confine himself to some particular breed. He must also grow into the business by experience. It requires painstaking efforts and a determination to succeed. If he meets with reverses and consequent disappointment the cause is almost never any instance, lies with himself. A close and careful study of the nature and habits of poultry is essential. Care and feeding, as also proper housing in winter, is a necessity. Breeding for laying qualities however is the sequel to a profitable issue. A lazy, short bodied, squat hen cannot fulfill her mission unless she finds her way to market. Choose your cockerels and pullets from chicks hatched from the eggs of your best layers, keep it up for a few seasons, feed them properly, house them well, and you will see a marked difference in your egg basket.

WHY ROOSTERS CROW AT MORNING.  
What makes the rooster feel so gay  
As he walks so briskly round?  
Why does he crow at break of day,  
And utter at eve no sound?

The rooster rests the long night thro',  
And in the morn he feels in trim;  
And he's had a thrashing or two,  
Why there's no crow in him.

ARAGON.

#### RUSH CREEK LETTER.

Mrs. Kitty White, of Missouri, returned home last week.

One of Fulton county's nicest young men, Ernest Davis of near Fulton is here visiting relatives.

Despite the inclemency of the weather last week, Mrs. G. Bransford was hostess of a most delightful quilting party, which transcends any function of the kind ever known among the club. The most bountifully set table, floral decorations and the menu was in five courses, rich dainty viands they were, too. Among the elderly ladies present, were some of the nicest quilters in Fulton county who are as follows: Mrs. Ann McGeehee, Mrs. J. Bonbrant, Mrs. Martha Roper, Mrs. "Linn" McClellan and Mrs. Sue Bransford, mother and mother-in-law of the hostess. Among the younger ladies present were Mrs. Tom White, of Missouri, and Mrs. George Maness, of Cayce. Miss Jessie Wall, a lovely brunette of Cayce was also in attendance. There was only one drone present, and that was—  
—OPTIMIST.

#### CAYCE NOTES.

Rev. T. G. Lowry's father and mother are here visiting him.

Quite a large crowd attended quarterly meeting at Ebenezer Monday.

Mrs. Julia Hansberry and Miss Myrtle Dunlap spent Thursday in Moscow, Ky.

Clarence Corum, of Hickman, was the pleasant guest of Willie Carr Friday night.

Joe Lauderdale and Sam Johnson Jr. went to Hickman Friday, to see the gunboat Nashville. John Milner and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Naylor.

Misses Mayne Naylor and Nina McClellan returned home after a pleasant visit to Hickman.

Misses Marguerite and Pearl Johnson spent Saturday night and Sunday with their uncle, Mr. McConnell.

Mrs. Laura Reeves, of Memphis, Tenn., returned home Monday afternoon after a few days visit to friends here.

Mrs. Lucy Burnett and little daughter Corinne and Medames Will and Lon Naylor were the guests of Mrs. Dr. Naylor Friday.

Mrs. D. E. Reeves went to Union City last week.

Mrs. Julia Hansberry visited in Moscow last week.

Rev. G. B. Baskerville was the guest of Rev. T. G. Lowry last week.

This part of the country has been flooded for the past few days by the recent heavy rainfall.

A goodly number of Cayce people went to Harmony last Saturday to attend the quarterly conference at that place.

Cayce chapter of the Epworth League will give an entertainment in the near future, for the benefit of the League library.

Presiding elder G. B. Baskerville held the second quarterly conference on Cayce circuit at Ebenezer church last Monday. Notwithstanding the inclement weather there was a good attendance, a bountiful dinner, and the finance report was very good.

The district meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, Union City district, Memphis conference, convenes at Fulton, Ky., May 10 and 11. The opening sermon will be preached at 7:30 p. m. by Rev. H. C. Johnson, of Hickman, followed by the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. It is desired that every society send a representative. All preachers are cordially invited to attend. Send names of delegates and visitors to Mrs. I. H. Read, Fulton, Ky. Mrs. Ellen Watson, conference president.

dent, is expected to be with us, and will preside. A suitable program will be prepared. Dear co-workers, come praying that the Holy Spirit may be in each heart and that much good may come out of this meeting. We are trusting for greater fruits this year, giving our Saviour all the praise. Mrs. Kate Reeves, Dist. Sec.

#### STATE LINE ITEMS.

Miss Dora Deuberry visited friends in Union City last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Swan Burrus and daughters were shopping in Union City last Saturday.

T. A. Prather, Jr., returned Friday evening from Nashville just in time for the "tacky" party.

Prof. W. H. Cook, of Rives, Tenn., spent part of Saturday and Sunday with friends in this vicinity.

Misses Lockhart and Morris, of Union City, were guests of Miss Lelia Shaw Friday night and Saturday.

H. P. Naylor and sister, Miss Carrie, of Union City, attended the party at W. B. Clark's last Friday evening.

Misses Janet McConnell and Kitty Mott Glen, of Jordan, attended the party and were guests of Mrs. Mary Prather Saturday and Sunday.

The "tacky" party given by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Clark last Friday evening was a real success and proved to be a very amusing spectacle. Miss Lillie Maddox won the prize as the tackiest looking girl and Jurgutha Jeffries won among the boys.

#### A THROATACHE MAN.

M. M. Austin of Winchester, Ind. knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c, at all druggists.



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3 room house in West H'man, small lot

3 room house and 1/2 lot in West H'man

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5 room house opposite Keiser place

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Cheer up, friends. While we can't much longer complain at the cold weather, we will soon have a chance to kick at the ice man.

To the citizens and friends of Hickman: Hickman will celebrate the Fourth of July in a gorgeous manner. Boost; don't knock. What helps the town, helps you.

Ollie James is tipped as one of the delegates at large from Kentucky to the St. Louis convention. Who does Ollie favor for

the nomination? Upon this question he seems to have become Parkerized.

Hearst probably thinks those Massachusetts and Georgia democrats are a queer set; but he should endeavor to school himself to surprises of this kind. There are several of the same sort yet in store for him.

Hearst claims that New York democrats are dissatisfied with the action of their state convention in instructing for Parker; and he is right. Hearst and Himsen are democrats, and the use of the plural word is correct.

The republicans of Fulton county in convention assembled last Saturday, endorsed Roosevelt and reaffirmed the republican platform. We await the report in eastern papers that "Kentucky goes for Roosevelt."

Reports from Missouri this week concerning the progress of the Folk candidate, are repetitions of those received last week. County after county comes out emphatically for the St. Louis prosecutor, who has made life a burden for the bootleggers. And Hawes, O where was he. Echo answers, where.

Hearst will open his campaign in the First Kentucky district, at Mayfield on Saturday, May 7. Judge Tarvin, of Covington, will furnish the wind for the occasion. He will be given a respectful hearing, of course; but the people of this district have made up their minds that Hearst is not the man for their standard bearer, and that is all there is to it.

The committee having in charge the arrangements for the grand Fourth of July celebration are rapidly getting things in ship shape. The enthusiasm grows steadily, and everyone seems to be taking a personal interest in the affair. It is going to be a great day, and people from miles and miles around will be here to take in the fun. Letters received as early as this week, say that many people from the other side of Huntington will come to take in the boat races.

Our readers may think that the subject of good roads is a tiresome one, but we can assure them that it is not near so tiresome to them as the bad roads are to the farmer who has to travel them, nor to the merchant whose trade suffers because of the inability of the farmer to get to market. It is the paramount question of the day and should be agitated until the necessary relief has been secured. Every advocate of good roads should constitute himself a committee of one to talk the matter up and see that all his neighbors thoroughly understand and appreciate the importance of this great question.

The negro Paris, who killed a postal clerk at Meridian, Miss., on February 29, and who was saved from a lynching by the prompt action of Gov. Vardaman, was legally hanged at Meridian Monday. As the law's delay is responsible in a great measure for the mob spirit so rampant against lawless negroes, the prompt and rigorous enforcement of it, as in this case, will dampen the fire of mob law and eventually extinguish it. Mississippi has the largest negro population of any southern state, and her example in maintaining the supremacy of the law in this case will have a good effect everywhere.

The meeting of the farmers at the court house Wednesday night was the entering of the wedge into the relentless grasp of the trusts and speculators which will eventually result in the loosening of that grip and the restoration of living prices for the products of the farm. This is not to be brought about in a day, nor

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by a few men, but by the earnest co-operation of a majority of the tillers of the soil in so controlling the marketing of crops that the buyers must come to them. J. A. Everitt, of the American Society of Equity, pointed the way on Wednesday night. Now let the farmers of Fulton county rally to the support of the cause, and the question of the farmer pricing his own products will be settled, and settled right.

### THE COURT HOUSE STEPS.

The Courier has been requested to again call the attention of the City Council to the dilapidated condition of the steps leading from Carroll street to the court house. During the past few weeks they have deteriorated rapidly, and are in such a state that it is actually dangerous to traverse them. Many of the supports have rotted away and the steps proper rest entirely upon the cross pieces that are supposed only to hold the supports together. One of the rails is entirely gone and is resting on the ground below, where it fell; and one of the steps has been entirely removed, while a number of them are in a loose and dangerous condition.

Besides the danger connected with these steps, there is their sloven and unattractive appearance. They are the main thoroughfare leading to the court house, are entirely out of harmony with their surroundings, and will cause considerable unfavorable comment during the session of the circuit court the next two weeks. There can scarcely be any excuse for permitting them to remain in their present dilapidated condition, as they above all else stand mostly in need of repair.

In our previous article calling attention to the condition of these steps it was pointed out that the city could be held responsible were an accident to occur to anyone while passing up or down them. Should a suit for damages be instituted by some unfortunate who had been injured through the faulty condition of these steps, it would cost the city more to fight the suit—even if it were to win it—than it would to put the steps in proper repair. There is no question but that it would be far cheaper for the city to spend a few dollars to repair them now, rather than stand continually in fear of a suit that must cost several times what an entire new flight would.

LATER—Since writing the above the steps have undergone some slight repairs. The unsafe condition still prevails, as the repairs were only superficial and of a minor nature.

### DON'T TAKE ANY CHANCES

On having blood poisoning or ugly scars from a burn, cut or bruise, but use Paraphenol freely. It relieves instantly and heals quickly, thereby saving you time, worry and money. Paraphenol heals without drying and scabbing. Every mother should keep a bottle in her home every day in the year. Helm & Ellis.

### Republican County Convention

The Republican county convention met at the court house in Hickman last Saturday, pursuant to a call issued by County Chairman T. F. Beadles. Preceding convention were held last Thursday at which were appointed delegates to the county convention as follows: L. D. Peeler and R. Glaser, of Hickman; A. T. Church and Dave Thomas of Fulton; Newt Ballew of Lodigton; H. L. Combs of Sassafras Ridge; J. M. Harkey of Jordan and Mr. Childs of Cayce. All were in attendance.

A resolution was adopted endorsing President Roosevelt and his administration and favoring his re-nomination for the presidency. No other names were considered. The delegates were instructed for W. J. DeBow for chairman of the district committee, and J. C. Speight and Judge Darby for district delegates to the national committee.

T. F. Beadles, J. T. Stephens, J. M. Harkey, L. H. Combs, L. D. Peeler and A. T. Church were elected delegates to both the district and state conventions, the first of which was held at Paducah on April 28 and the latter of which will occur at Louisville on May 3. Much interest was manifested by the delegates but as the convention was unanimous in the choice of its candidate, and endorsed, without a dissenting voice, the platform of the republican party and the administration of Mr. Roosevelt, there was little or no fun for the on-looker. The convention adjourned at 3:30 p. m.

### ROBBED THE GRAVE.

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver, of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually to back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim. No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at all druggists."

### Quarterly Court.

Quarterly court met in regular session Monday, Judge H. M. Kearby presiding. The Glendwell-Longford case was settled. Case of Mrs. M. P. Wright vs. Tom Morgan, continued to next term. The case of O. M. Phillips, Dr. Charles Curtis and P. E. Case vs. C. L. Hodges were consolidated under the title of O. M. Phillips et al vs. C. L. Hodges and continued to next term. The case of Albert Diawiddie vs. Laurence Combs was tried and taken under advisement by Judge Kearby.

### Bids Wanted.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received up to and including May 3, 1901, for the arrangement, construction of the Fourth of July celebration at Hickman, Ky., for refreshment privileges on legs of having barbecue and refreshment stands within the city limits. For further information call on or address Dr. L. P. Baltzer or Dr. F. T. Hande, Hickman, Ky.

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**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

Use Sunshine Flour—none better.  
Mrs. Chloe Peeler visited in Hickman last week.

Mrs. Charles Moore is visiting in Nashville.

Hardy Ligon returned to Union City Saturday.

Ardel Johnson, of Cayce, was in town Wednesday.

Chesler Craig, of Union City, was in town Monday.

John E. DeBow, of Union City, was in Hickman Friday.

George A. Warren was in Fulton Wednesday on business.

Mrs. J. O. Ryan, of Fulton, is visiting her father, Mr. Sam Haynes.

Rosedale makes stamp pictures, 25 for 25 cents. First class work.

The Embroidery Club meets with Mrs. Jack Millett every afternoon.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson is reported dangerous at all.

Wesley Golds and Katie Bradford of Union City, were in Hickman Friday.

Miss Emma Kirk, daughter of R. H. Kirk, has been appointed a notary public.

W. Long and Mr. Sarah G. Hughes were this week granted a license to wed.

Mrs. W. J. Spradlin went to Union City Tuesday returning Wednesday night.

Mrs. N. J. Cornum, of Route 3, has been confined to her bed for the past week.

Mrs. Maggie Owen, of Mayfield, was here this week on a visit to her sister, Mrs. E. C. Stubbs.

Dr. E. A. Royall, of Villa Ridge, Ill., is spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Judge F. S. Moore.

Judge J. S. Moore and S. D. Luten went to Wickliffe this week to attend the I. O. O. F. anniversary celebration.

Mrs. Belle Walter, mother of our better half, arrived from Fulton yesterday morning on a visit to her daughter.

Capt. H. A. Tyler returned Sunday morning from a trip to St. Louis and other points, having been gone just one week.

Baltzer & Dadds are this week repairing their store building on Clinton street, preparatory to putting on a fresh coat of paint.

C. A. Holcombe's drug store, on the corner of Cumberland and Clinton streets, presents an improved appearance since the painters finished their work.

Elder W. J. Shelburne will preach at Mt. Hermon next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. On account of inclement weather services could not be held last Sunday.

Judge E. N. Royall, county judge of Clay county, Illinois, which office he has held for the past twelve years is visiting Judge and Mrs. F. S. Moore for a few days. He is an uncle to Mrs. Moore.

Col. H. A. Capron, living within two miles of Union City, was in the city yesterday for the first time in several years. Col. Capron came to this country some 54 years ago and talks interestingly of old times. He is a grandfather of S. A. Wade, a well known Fulton county citizen.

Next Sunday night there will be special services at the Methodist church. The Woman's Missionary Society and the Juvenile Missionary Society will take part in the services. Special musical program is arranged. Preaching at 11 a. m. Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Epworth League 3 p. m.

The first ball game of the season was played in Hickman Wednesday between the home team and the Jordan nine. The result was a score of 10 to 6 in favor of the home team. A fairly good attendance showed considerable interest in the game. The Jordan boys put up good game, but not quite good enough to win.

WANTED—A trustworthy gentleman or lady in each county to manage business for an old established house of solid trade weekly salary of \$15 paid by check. Monday with all expenses direct from headquarters. Money advanced for expenses. Enclose addressed envelope. Manager, 360 Canton Ridge, Chicago.

**Levee Contract Awarded.**  
The contract for the levee work from the head of Fish Pond toward the Tytonville levee was let on Monday of this week to Denison & Shafer, of Batesville, Ark. The work comprises 120,000 cubic yards and will be done from 10 and 98-100 cents per yard, making a total amount of \$13,176. The contract specifies that 75,000 yards of the work shall be between stations 523 and 7, and 45,000 cubic yards between stations 5 and 8-45, leaving a space of 100 feet which is to be filled in by private enterprise for the benefit and convenience of the owner of the land.

Mr. Shafer is expected to arrive here very shortly to personally supervise the work, and will remain in charge until its completion. How many men and teams he will employ could not be ascertained.

**TABLE MANNERS.**

Little Bits of Information as to the Correct Thing in Etiquette.

If the function—luncheon or dinner—is one of ceremony, and gloves are worn at the table, they should be removed as soon as one is seated, and laid in the lap, says the American Gleaner. The napkin is unfolded to half its amplitude, and also laid across the lap. Gentlemen do not tuck their napkins in their waistcoats, no matter how convenient they may find such an arrangement.

The napkins which at dinner are placed upon the plates hold the dinner rolls or the slices of bread. Remove the bread as soon as seated, and place it at the left of the plate. The napkin, at the end of the meal, is left unfolded at the left side.

Bread is always broken in small pieces, never cut, and never crumbled into soup or sauce.

Soup is taken from the side of the spoon, which is filled by drawing it up from the opposite edge of the spoon. Soup, of course, must be taken noiselessly. No one takes a second helping, or tips the plate to secure the last mouthful.

Fish, in days past, was taken with a fork, supplemented by a bit of bread; nowadays, a silver knife is allowed, for use and knives for fish being made of a special pattern. All vegetables are eaten with a fork; asparagus with a knife and fork, although it may be eaten with the fingers if one prefers to do so. A very safe rule, however, is never to touch any bit of food with the fingers if possible. Peas and pears are peeled, cut in half, and then broken by the fork and thus eaten. An orange may be cut in half, and the pears are peeled, cut in half, and then broken by the fork and thus eaten. An orange may be cut in half, and the pears are peeled, cut in half, and then broken by the fork and thus eaten.

In using the knife and fork a movement of the wrist, and not of the elbow, is the proper thing; we occasionally see people using their elbows vigorously. The handle of the knife should repose in the center of the hand, and no part of the hand should touch the knife above the handle. In using the fork, only the half of the handle is covered by the hand.

**COLORS THAT WILL RULE.**  
Some Dress Hints for Feminine Followers of the Latest in Vogue.

"What will be the four most popular colors of the year?" asked a woman of her modiste, according to the Brooklyn Eagle.

"Heather brown, hunter's green, old tree bark brown and cerise," replied the modiste unhesitatingly, "with dashes of red and blue and green trimmings."

"And what will be the most fashionable materials?"

"The rough effects, until it is time to wear furs; then the smooth satiny cloths to better set off the furs. It will be an expensive winter for the well dressed portion of femininity, for a woman must wear the heavy cloths now and the rough materials, while, latter she must make an entire change to broadcloths and satin fashions. That is, if she would be in the mode."

And, indeed, it seems as if woman must be perpetually making changes in her wardrobe, for no sooner does she get settled in style and fitted out in gowns, than something new comes along which absolutely demands attention and a change.

The fashions which was trying to go out of style is now trying to get back in. And it is succeeding, for every other gown has a blouse set upon the skirt. But it is done in a new way. The blouse, instead of being added to the skirt, is so arranged that it seems to be a part of the skirt, lengthening it, instead of merely acting as the trimming.

When the very rough gowns are worn the blouse is sometimes cut a different way of the goods, and, so, it looks quite another material and very pretty in its contrast of color and grain. The camel's hair goods and the heavier silks sometimes have a bias blouse. And one gown, a satiny, shade colored shirone, had a blouse of deep, dark slate colored velvet.

**Cranberry Sweet Pudding.**  
To one cupful of finely chopped sweet and one cupful of cooked cranberries (the berries must be very sweet), one cupful of molasses, three cupfuls of flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, salt and spices to taste, butter a tablespoonful can well, pour the batter in it, cover tightly and boil in hot water three hours, turn out the pudding when done by inverting the can with a jerk; serve with a hard sauce of butter and sugar—Good Literature.

**Deviled Oysters.**  
Drain, clean and chop 25 oysters, add half a cupful of cream, one tablespoonful of melted butter, two tablespoonfuls of Worcestershire sauce, salt and pepper to taste; butter clean oyster shells or fancy baking dishes and fill with the deviled oysters; bake 20 minutes, or until nicely browned—People's Home Journal.

**Apple Jelly.**  
Allow three-fourths of a pound of sugar to every pint of apple juice, and boil for 15 minutes. Flavor with either orange or lemon—Prairie Farmer.

**THE DEAD.**

Stephen Balmer.

The subject of this sketch was familiarly known throughout Fulton county, but more intimately in the vicinity of Hickman. A Scotchman by birth, he emigrated to this country many years ago and engaged in the business of bridge building, more especially for railroads, in which profession he was an expert. During the Civil War he was engaged in building and repairing bridges on lines of railroads subject to being destroyed by both armies, and his description of adventures with both confederate and federal authorities while in the line of his duties were very interesting, and sometimes of a thrilling nature. When the old gentleman became a childless man, and his mind reverted to childhood days, anecdotes of his father of Waverly notes, (Sir Walter Scott), in whose story he was reared, and who was the square to the simple and honest yeomen of the country—were told in his most interesting and happy vein. He was well versed in the sciences of his country and often quoted "Bobby" Burns, as he familiarly called him. In his latter years, although he became a public charge, he was respected and thought none the less of because of his history, and the fact of his being a Scotchman through the varying vicissitudes of an eventful if not successful life.

Stephen Balmer was born in 1819 and died April 21, 1901. His remains were interred in the city cemetery.

**The River.**

It is current report among river men here that another rise is expected in the Mississippi very soon, and it has been stated that it would go to 44 feet at Cairo. The report is obtainable, however, are to the effect that the Ohio is falling at all points, and at all but two places on the Mississippi the river is falling. A flood of unusual proportions at Port Scott, Kansas, is believed to be the cause of the rumor, but the river which flows past Fort Scott empties into the Arkansas river and is discharged into the Mississippi below Memphis, Ark. The general rains the first of the week, however, may cause a small rise, but the conservative portion of our river authorities do not anticipate anything like a 44-foot stage at Cairo.

A later report is to the effect that the river at St. Louis is three feet higher than the danger line, and that much of the country thereabouts is now under water causing considerable damage. It is not thought that the river at Cairo can pass 100 beyond 40 feet, and that amount, and as suggested by statistics, is in the Tennessee, Cumberland and Alabama rivers, will not put the Mississippi out of her banks sufficiently to do much damage in this neighborhood.

**PUBLIC SCHOOL TRAINING.**  
Elwin G. Cooley, superintendent of the public schools in Chicago proposes to organize the pupils into a miniature republic to teach them the actual experience of their duties as citizens. The national representatives will be elected from the grammar schools, and the national senators from the high schools. State and city governments will be formed in the same way. The Australian ballot system will be used in elections and the machinery of the national government copied in every detail.

Young men not only will be allowed to vote but will be eligible to election as senators, congressmen and high school under the little government will be founded upon the principles of co-education and equal suffrage.

If this plan is carried out it will supply the missing element in our public school work. Education given by the state should fit the child to take his place in the state as a citizen and to perform the duties of citizenship.

The growing corruption of politics shows that so far our public schools have failed in all these important particulars.

Think what it would be to have Prof. Cooley's ideas carried out in all our public schools. Think of the uplift politics would receive if every graduate of the grammar and high school understood the sacredness of the ballot, and the necessity of using it for the public good. The boys accustomed to seeing girls voting and holding office in the mine state would not be likely to develop into men opposed to equal rights. The girl accustomed to seeing herself as a citizen would never develop into a remonstrance nor would she placidly accept the legal conditions that class her with idiots, lunatics, criminals and minors.

One can hardly over-estimate the good that would result from such training in citizenship and Prof. Cooley's experiment will be watched with interest, especially by those who believe that women are citizens and that they should have the same political rights that men citizens have.

**Fasten Age Marks.**

Sick Kidneys make people look older than they are; hasten the evening days of life; fasten the marks of premature old age. The world over Doan's Kidney Pills is the recognized Kidney Specific.

Aching backs are eased. Hip, back and loin pains overcome. Swelling of the limbs and drooping eyes vanish.

They correct urine with brick dust sediment, high colored, excessive pain in passing, dribbling, frequency, bed wetting. Doan's Kidney Pills dissolve and remove calculi and gravel. Relieve heart palpitation, sleeplessness, headache, nervousness.

Salem, Mass., March 31, 1903.—I received the sample of Doan's kidney pills and with the use of one small box from my druggist I am entirely cured of a very lame back.—W. A. Cleveland.

Cambria, Wyo.,—Previous to taking the sample of Doan's kidney pills I could scarcely hold my urine. Now I can sleep all night and rarely have to get up, and that aching across my back a little above my hips is gone. —Isaac W. Stephens, Cambria, Wyo.

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Galesburg, Ill., March 28, 1903.—The sample of Doan's kidney pills came to hand. I also got a 50 cent box from a druggist and I am thankful to say the pain across the small of my back disappeared like a snow ball in the hot sun. Doan's Pills reach the spot. Elmer Warfield.

Rose Glen, Pa., March 29, 1903.—The free trial of Doan's kidney pills have been of great benefit to me. Since using them I have no occasion to get up so often at night. My complaint affecting the bladder more when catching cold. —Eph Lippert.

Medical advice free—strictly confidential.

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### MILLINERY.

A large number of charming, newly trimmed hats have been added to our stock during the last few days, and they tend to brighten the department.

The fashions are correct, and the ideas are decidedly clever. See them before buying.

**Dress Hats** Beautiful production, even the cheapest of which shows careful attention to all details of style and finish, from **\$1 to \$12**

**Shirt Waist Hats** Every new and popular shape and feature. Prices ranging from **50c to \$2.50**

**Children's Hats** We make a feature of these and we have them trimmed with ribbon and flowers, from 25c up.

### SOME NEW STYLES IN LEATHER GOODS.

Leather handbags have superceded the old purse or pocket-book. We show some very swell styles. Bags of monkey or chain leather, either leather or gun metal frames, some contain card case, purse, etc., in black, gray, tan etc., from 25c to \$4. Don't fail to look at the pretty things we are showing in Shirt Waist Sets, Combs, etc.



### TABLE LINENS, TOWELS, ETC.

This spring we have paid particular attention to this line and have a large stock of all the needed linens, towels, etc. Study closely these price quotations. They represent a saving.

#### TABLE DAMASK

Mercerized table damask bleached 64 ins. wide, 35 to 50c a yd

Silver bleached table damask extra heavy 68 inches wide worth 75c and \$1 per yard at 50c and 75c.

German table linen, half bleached, per yard 40 and 50c

All linen table damask, deep border, plain center, 72 inches wide, worth \$1.25 to \$1.50 at \$1 to \$1.25 yd.

Table padding, 54 inches wide, extra quality at 50c per yard.

#### NAPKINS.

Damask dinner napkins, extra large, very fine quality, to match damask, \$3 to \$5 per set.

Mercerized napkins, 22 inches square worth \$1.75 per dozen at \$1.50

Damask dinner napkins, extra heavy, silver bleached, 24 inches square, worth \$2.25 per dozen at \$1.75

Damask Dinner napkins, silver bleached, good quality, worth \$1.25 to 1.50 per dozen, at \$1 and \$1.25

Nice dinner napkins, extra heavy bleached, worth \$1 per dozen at 75c

Fringed napkins, 16 inches square, good quality, worth 35c at 25c.

#### TOWELING.

Heavy unbleached cotton towels worth 6c at 5c.

Extra heavy bleached and unbleached cotton towels at 10c.

Bath towels, large size, 12 1-2c at 10c

Turkish bath towels, unbleached, large size, worth 20c at 15c

Union hemmed huck towels 18x35 inches each 10c and 15c

Damask towels, all linen, red and blue borders, knotted fringe 26x54 inches worth 40c at 25c.

Plain white knotted fringe extra fine each 35c, 50c and 75c.

### OUR FAMILY LINE.

It is hardly necessary to say very much about "Our Family" line because nearly every family in this community, wanting a good serviceable shoe, has tested the merits of this line. Last year the manufacturers of these shoes sold 1500 pairs of this line every day, or in other words three pairs a minute. This alone is good proof of the popularity of these shoes. It is a Good-year welt shoe, made of chrome tanned box calf skin and is first class in every way. The name "Our Family" is chosen is chosen because it is made in Men's, Boys', Youths' and little



Gents, also Women's, Misses and Children's, thus enabling every member of the family to secure a shoe from this one line alone. You can buy these shoes at the following prices:

Men's \$2.50; Boys' \$2.00; Youths' \$1.75; Little Gents' \$1.50; Women's \$1.50; Misses' \$1.35; Children's \$1.25 and \$1.10.

Thus you can get neat and at the same time, serviceable shoes at moderate prices. We want you to give "Our Family" Shoes a trial.



### Newest Ideas in Ladies Belts

We have just received a shipment of women's fashionable belts, embracing a great many new styles, each one of exceptional merit, belts of plaited taffeta silk with jeweled buckles. Wide crush taffeta silk belts with studded buckles. Cut steel studded elastic belts girdle shapes with wide buckles and other styles. **75c to \$3**

## THE RIGHT SORT OF CLOTHING.

The wonderful growth of this branch of our business is an emphatic demonstration of two important facts—First that we exert the greatest effort to secure exceptional values; second, that we do secure them, and make offerings unsurpassed by any other house. We have a better store and bigger stock than greeted you last spring and have learned more about you and what you want to pay. We have managed to get the price notch a bit lower, and whether a grown up suit, a suit for the young man or the boy we can surely please you in both quality and price. Don't take our word, don't take the word of any one. Come and see the clothes.

### Men's and Young Men's Suits.

They include the very newest spring patterns in pure wool worsteds and scotches, in four button single-breasted sack suits, also black Thibets and unfinished worsteds, all are lined with pure wool serge and most excellently trimmed and finished. The coats have wide shoulders, stiff fronts and smooth close fitting collars and every garment of Sterling make is guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. We can surely please you at any price you care to pay between **\$5 and \$16.50**

### Boys' Knee Pants Suits.

Our boys' suits have established a standard of value. For style, fit and wear there are none to equal them. There are all styles, single and double breasted, two piece double breasted. Norfolk's single breasted, 3 piece Russians, sailors and Buster Browns. There are blue serge, black Thibets, fancy Cheviots, Cassimere and Worsteds, altogether the newest, dressiest, best made suits ever made, from **\$1.25 to 7.50**

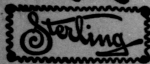
Everything needed to complete the outfit, straw and felt hats, shirts, ties, collars, underwear, shoes, etc.



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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

For good pictures go to Rosedale.  
Use Sunshine Flour—note better.

Mrs. Ernest King is spending the week in the city.

Listen for the Calypso on the Steam. J. S. Friday April 29.  
Gay Ward, of Walnut Log, was in town Monday on business.

Mrs. A. V. Underwood is confined to her bed with heart trouble.  
Rosedale, the old reliable, for pictures of all sizes and kinds.

Mrs. J. W. Purcell is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Anything you want to eat, properly cooked, at a reasonable price, at Frost's restaurant.

C. B. Travis and wife left Tuesday morning on a pleasure trip of a few days to Nashville.

J. J. Seay has returned from Paducah where he was called as jurymen in the Federal court.

A large number of people from Union City came over to Hickman Friday to visit the "Nashville".

All the delicacies of the season always to be had, served in appropriate style, at Frost's restaurant.

"Now good digestion wait on appetite, and health on both." If it doesn't, try Burdock Blood Bitters.

When you want to hire a horse and buggy for a drive, see Davis & Leggett. They've got the fancy rigs.

The man who is to put the new court house clock in position has not yet arrived, but is looked for any day.

Val Stahl, living four miles out on the Troy road, was in town Saturday on business, and called on the Courier.

Passengers and baggage handled to and from all trains and boats, on short notice, by Davis & Leggett. Phone 110.

Diphtheria, sore throat, croup. Instant relief. Permanent cure. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. At any drug store.

Frost's restaurant is making an enviable reputation for serving the best fried fish ever had in Hickman. And it's cheap, too. Try it.

Davis & Leggett, at Steve Stahl's old stand, do a general livery business. When you want anything in that line, it will pay you to see them.

Attorneys A. M. Tyler and B. T. Davis went to Union City Tuesday to take some depositions in the case of Irene Judge vs. H. B. Judge et al.

Rose Oman, of Hickman, Ky., was in our town Thursday transacting business connected with Miss Sumner's life insurance...Lake County News.

City Barber Shop—Try McIntosh's Electric Face Massage and Shampoo for Headache, Neuralgia, and Nervous Fatigue at Will Crowell's Barber Shop 9-4t.

Robert Isler, who has been working back and forth between Union City and Hickman, is now permanently located in the freight department of the N. C. & St. L.

The family of Manager W. C. Wilson, of the Southern Wood Supply Co., arrived in the city last week and is now domiciled in the Myer residence in West Hickman.

Pastmaster Beadles, of Fulton, chairman of the Fulton county republican committee, was in town Saturday in attendance at the meeting of the county convention.

E. D. Peder, who has been located here for some time, has accepted the position of chief clerk in the Union City depot, and left this week to assume the duties thereof.

"I had a running, itching sore on my leg, suffered tortures. Don's Ointment took away the burning and itching instantly, and quickly effected permanent cure." C. W. Lenhart, Bowling Green, Ohio.

A artists. The old reliable barber shop is the place for up-to-date work, and first class barbers. I have repaired my bath room and everything is up to date. Will Crowell.

Miss Frances Perkins, who has been the guest of Miss Kate Reid for two weeks past, left yesterday for her home at South Bend, Ind. She had a most delightful time while here, and prolonged her visit to the last possible moment. She is a charming young lady, and made many friends here during her stay.

WANTED—A trustworthy gentleman or lady in each county to manage business for an old established house of solid financial standing. A straight bona fide weekly salary of \$15 paid by check each Monday with all expenses direct from headquarters. Money advanced for expenses. Endeavor addressed envelope. Manager, 300 Caxton Bldg., Chicago.

J. W. McKernin, of Union City, was arrested by Marshal Dillon a week ago for soliciting life insurance without license. His trial was set for Monday of this week, at which time he was found guilty in Judge Moore's court and fined \$50 and costs. Several other charges of a similar nature were filed against him, but were pigeonholed by the court during defendant's good behavior. His company had a license but it expired last June, and has never been renewed.

## THE NASHVILLE'S VISIT.

Hundreds of People See a War Ship For the First Time.

The gunboat "Nashville" arrived opposite Hickman Friday morning about 8 o'clock and dropped her anchor directly opposite the Mengel factory. A large and enthusiastic crowd had gathered on the bank to watch her arrival, and the dropping of the ship's anchor was the signal for a succession of loud and hearty cheers. The weather in the early hours of the day was cold and disagreeable, a strong wind blowing from the southwest, and threatening rain until about 11 o'clock, when the clouds passed away, the wind died down and the sun came out clear and warm.

What promised in the morning to be a raw winter's day turned out to be one of delightful spring in the afternoon, and made the visit to the gunboat a pleasant diversion. A delegation of citizens, with Mayor Dillon in the lead, and composed of J. W. Cogswell, J. T. Stephens, C. C. Smith, Judge F. S. Moore, Dr. Charles Curran, Allison M. Tyler, and the editor of the Courier, were at once taken aboard by the "Ita Belle" and formally received the ship on behalf of the city. They were entertained in a royal manner by Commander Hubbard and his officers, who took an especial delight in showing the delegation about the ship and initiating them into the mysteries of the many intricate and complicated pieces of mechanism that go to the making of an effective instrument of war. After an exhaustive tour of inspection, the delegation was escorted to the cabin where they were regaled with many interesting tales of sea life by Commander Hubbard in the inimitable style of the educated and cultured gentleman sailor. He is an affable and courteous officer and has surrounded himself with a crew of associates and men who seemed to take an especial delight in favoring the visitors. The discipline of the crew was perfect and everything worked in harmony. Every member was happy and contented, so far as could be ascertained—not a sour face nor a moaning character among the 300 men aboard. The delegation left the ship at 10:30, after having spent a most enjoyable two hours.

The "Shiloh" began carrying passengers on to the ship shortly after 9 o'clock, and by the time the committee left the decks were well filled with interested sight seers. From that time until 12 o'clock, when the ship was closed for the dinner hour, the crowd grew steadily. Many people from the country and surrounding towns, who had not seen the "Nashville" on the occasion of her stay here five years ago, and had not seen a sea-going craft of any description, viewed with wonder the many things that were shown them by the accommodating crew. Nothing was left in reserve except the private quarters of the officers, and the crowd was shown from the bridge, where the powerful searchlight is stationed to the lower decks, where is located the machinery, the electric plant, the machine shop, the store rooms, and so on.

Most of the town people waited until after dinner to go aboard, and when the "Shiloh" cast off her moorings at 1:30, the large which she carried was loaded to the guards with people, mostly women and children, all anxious to "see." From 1:30 to 4 p. m. the "Shiloh" made four trips, and throughout the day carried about 1,000 passengers. The "Golds Lee" also carried a number to and fro, but owing to the fact that she did not arrive in the city until noon, the number of her passengers was necessarily limited. The Messrs. Carpenter, in the very manner in which they handled the large crowd, deserve commendation. Not an accident—ever of the slightest degree—occurred and none were prevented from going aboard through their negligence or mismanagement.

The Hickman Cornet Band visited the ship in a body and rendered some appropriate music on the trips going and coming. As the "Shiloh" pulled along the "Nashville" the band played an appropriate piece of music and were roundly cheered by the blue jackets and marines who lined the port side of the ship and stood to attention during the rendition.

At four o'clock all visitors were ordered ashore and preparations began for the ship's departure. Soon the anchor was weighed and at 4:30 the "Nashville" steamed up the river on her way to the fair at St. Louis. Her next stop after leaving Hickman was Columbus, then Cairo, where she remained over Sunday. She made several stops between Cairo and St. Louis, and was due to arrive at the latter named place yesterday, the 28th.

A GREAT SENSATION. There was a big sensation in Louisville, Ky., on Monday last, at which place, as was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. He writes: "I endured insufferable agonies from asthma, but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure." Similar cures of consumption, pneumonia, bronchitis and grip are numerous. It is the perfect remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Guaranteed by all druggists. Trial bottles free.

## Appointed Maid of Honor.

Miss Marie Breard, of Hickman, has been appointed maid of honor of the Kentucky division of the United Confederate Veterans for the fourteenth annual reunion of the United Confederate Association, to be held at Nashville, Tenn., June 14, 15 and 16. Miss Breard is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of R. B. Breard, one of Hickman's oldest and most highly respected citizens. She is a popular member of the city's best society circle, is greatly admired for her many charming qualities, and will wear, with honor to the old war and credit to herself the decoration so graciously bestowed by the state commander.

Speaking of the appointment of the sponsor and maid of honor, General Bennett H. Young says:

"Miss Fannie Redd, of Lexington, Ky., daughter of Comrade O. F. Redd, has been designated as sponsor, and Miss Marie Breard, of Hickman, Ky., daughter of Comrade R. B. Breard, has been appointed maid of honor, and the Commanding General feels confident that these two young ladies will meet all the expectations of Kentucky's representatives, and maintain the reputation of the Commonwealth for hand some women."

For the Gordon Monument Fund.

Col. Henry Buchanan on Saturday sent his check to W. A. Milton, Adj. Gen. and chief of staff of Gen. Bennett H. Young, for \$200, the result of two days' canvass among our citizens for funds to assist in the erection of a suitable monument to the memory of Gen. John B. Gordon. The statue is to be erected at Atlanta, Ga., and will be worthy of the illustrious soldier and states man, whom the southland has ever loved and revered. The ranks of the old guard are becoming thin, but the spirit of fidelity to the memory of the brothers who fought and bled in the last cause is augmented in those who remain by the passing of the heroes of war times. Col. Buchanan is one of the many patriotic survivors, and being well to do in this world's goods, his hand is ever ready to dig deep and strong for the perpetuation of the memory of historic men and scenes that were conspicuous in the bloody days of 61 to '65. In the contribution just sent the colonel headed the list with a magnificent gift of \$250.

On Tuesday Colonel Buchanan received the following acknowledgement from Mr. Milton:

Louisville, Ky., 4-25-1904. Dear Colonel—Your favor of Saturday is received. The \$100 has been turned over to General Young together with the list of contributors. You have kindly made the result of your work shows there are many generous friends of our beloved General Gordon in the Hickman vicinity. General Young will personally acknowledge the check. God bless you and the donors, who have so willingly done so generously. Please come and see at any time.

W. A. Milton, Adj. Gen. and Chief of Staff.

Success in the Poultry Business is Assured.

By proper care and feeding. Chick feed makes young chickens grow. It is a mixture of cracked grains, small seeds, beet bone and grit. Fed dry and always ready. Mica Crystal Grit for young turkeys also especially necessary for chickens—it is their teeth. Lambert's Death to Lice, indispensable for fowls during incubation, keeps the youngsters free from vermin. Peerless brand Cracked Oyster shell makes hens lay and keeps them laying. Poultry supplies of all kinds. Your orders solicited.

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## Murley Roper Sells Out.

Murley Roper, the well known grocerman, on Wednesday of last week sold out his grocery business on Clinton street to R. H. Kirk, who took possession at that time. What Mr. Roper's intentions for the future are could not be ascertained, as he is undecided himself into what business he will embark. Mr. Kirk this week moved the newly purchased stock to his saw mill located 6 miles southwest of town, where he will open up a store.

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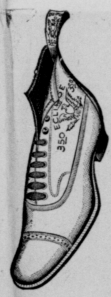
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## THE WORLD'S POSITION.

Astronomical Expedition Equipped to Determine Where We Are in the Universe.

While the political world has been discussing the course of British trade, astronomers have been equipping an expedition which is, if possible, to solve the question whether we are all, free traders and protectionists alike, with the sun and the rest of the planets, rushing through space at the speed of 45,000 miles an hour in the direction of the star Vega, says the Sphere. With this question is connected another very vital one of our position in the general scheme of the universe. The study of many facts in astronomy has tended toward the impression that the earth is but a grain on the sand beach of space. Other recent accumulations of facts, however, seem to indicate—as Dr. Wallace, the veteran colleague of Darwin, has pointed out—that the earth occupies a unique and central position in the visible universe. In this very vital discussion it is of importance to know whether we are moving away from the apparently central position in the plane of the Milky Way with a speed which is great or negligible, and in what direction we are moving.

To gather accurate facts concerning this movement, Prof. W. W. Campbell, director of the Lick observatory, has sent out an expedition to Santiago de Chile, whose mission it is to measure the velocity of 300 or 400 of the brighter stars in the quarter of the sky surrounding the south pole, for the only way in which we become aware of the flight of the solar system is by watching the counter movement of the stars. "We are like," says Prof. Service, "passengers on the deck of a ship moving swiftly through a crowded harbor. The direction and velocity of our motion are indicated by the other craft and the shores around us. Ships ahead of us, which we are overhauling, loom continually larger; those behind, which we are leaving, dwindle in the distance. This does not quite apply in the case of the stars, because they are almost infinitely far away, and the change in their brightness resulting from an approach to those in the north and our retreat from those in the south is too slight to be noticed even from year to year. But, luckily, the waves of light do the work for us. The light of the stars toward which we are going has its undulation practically shortened by our swift approach, and the light of those which we are leaving behind has its undulations practically lengthened, and the spectroscopic not only detects these changes in the light waves, but enables us by their means to measure the rate of our motion and also to deduce its exact direction."

More than 100 years ago Sir William Herschel declared that he had seen "—sun and his attendant planets, including our earth—is moving in a straight line approximately toward the constellation Hercules. That was merely a guess on Sir William's part, for there were no means then of ascertaining the distances of the stars or the planets. Late observations have shown, however, that the statement was absolutely correct and that the solar system is moving to the right, either in Hercules or in Leo. Herschel put the speed down to about ten miles a second. Recent lengthy observations and calculations at the famous Lick observatory in California declare the speed at 12 miles a second or 45,000 miles every hour.

It is confidently expected that the combination of the spectroscopic results obtained at the Lick observatory in California and at Chicago will lead to a very satisfactory solution of the perplexing problem of the motion of the solar system through space. The expedition will be away two years.

It will be of interest here to quote Dr. Wallace's conclusion: "The three startling facts that we are in the center of a cluster of suns, and that the cluster is situated not only precisely in the plane of the Milky Way, but also centrally in that plane, can hardly now be looked upon as chance coincidences without any significance in relation to the culminating fact that the planet so situated has developed humanity. Of course, the relation here pointed out may be a true revelation of cause and effect, and yet have arisen as the result of one in a thousand million chances occurring during almost infinite time; but, on the other hand, these thinkers may be right who hold that the universe is a manifestation of mind."

**Police Torture in Japan.**  
In 1899 a girl of 13 was murdered in Osaka. The police arrested a youth of 18 on suspicion, and he, having confessed, was brought up for trial. Owing, however, to insufficient evidence the accused, Matsura, was acquitted. He has lived ever since under a social ban, the public being convinced of his guilt. But now suddenly, after four years after the event, a burglar charged with a major crime has confessed that he was the perpetrator of the outrage and murder, and that Matsura, questioned as to why he made such a confession, alleges that he was tortured by the police beyond all endurance.

**Scandinavian Amazons.**  
Patriotic daughters of Bulgaria are enlisted in the ranks of Boris Saraf-off's Macedonian revolutionists. Many of them perform the same duties in one of them perform the same duties in the severe conflicts. These Amazons do not take the trouble to hide their sex, as did the Prussian heroine, Eleonore Proschakka, who fought in Liebkow's celebrated corps of volunteers, and they are inclined to select theatrical attire.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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## FAULTS OF CHILDREN.

Hereditarily Explains Many of the Worst Ones—A Few Bits of Homely Advice.

If you want a mental and spiritual portrait of pa and ma, watch Willie and Susie at their play for a half hour or so, writes Alfred J. Waterhouse, in New York Times.

Brown says it is strange that his Charlie tells so many wrong stories, but I am able to control my surprise—I have had some business dealings with Brown.

My Tommy and Mary played keeping house the other day, and I noticed that a large part of their play consisted of pretended bickering between the head of the family and its foot. Now I wonder where they got such reprehensible ideas of domestic life!

Peters contends that there is nothing in heredity, but even he admits that he never knew a mongrel dog to give birth to a high-bred Gordon setter.

A good and great man may be born of the slums, as one came out of Nazareth, but it is just as well to remember that a gold mine rarely is found in a mud hole. If your boy or girl betrays no desire for forbidden fruit, try a liver regulator—something is radically wrong.

If the man who wrote a book entitled "The Innocence of Childhood" had listened to the conversation of some group of youngsters on the street of an evening he might have added several valuable chapters to the book, but they probably would have demoralized its general plan to a considerable extent.

I frequently punish my child for being too accurate an imitation of his pa—and so do you.

My children are not perfect, but, then, what could you expect? Their mother is a nice girl, but she has her little faults.

Brown says that he feels pained when he observes the selfishness of his children. I sympathize with Brown; but I have not caught him in the act of hunting for grapes of need in which to give away some of his money.

If George W. Jr., is inclined to "paint things red," don't be too severe on him. Remember what his father was, and judiciously endeavor to convince him that there is paint of a suitably pink shade that costs less in the long run.

After all, the world does not alter as much as we imagine. The boy who lost his ball and wept bitterly grew into the man who lost \$50,000 on a chance and immediately went into an attack of the dodeler dumps—and a barroom.

You admit that your Jimmie is very bright, but have you noticed any of the neighbors rising a second the motion?

You can't always tell, anyway. One of the dunces of our school has succeeded been a congressman. Still, do you consider that there is any proof that his mental characteristics changed as he grew older?

And, again, you can't always tell. Sadie vowed that she would be an old maid, and you ought to see her seven kids!

If ever the gods on high Olympus enjoy themselves in these days, it must be when they hear a Wall Street broker telling his little son that it is wrong to play marbles for keeps.

It is dollars to nickels that your boy knows his father's peculiarities better than you know his.

Nature sets her own stamp. If your child was born to be a hoodlum, no fine reformation will conceal the fact very long.

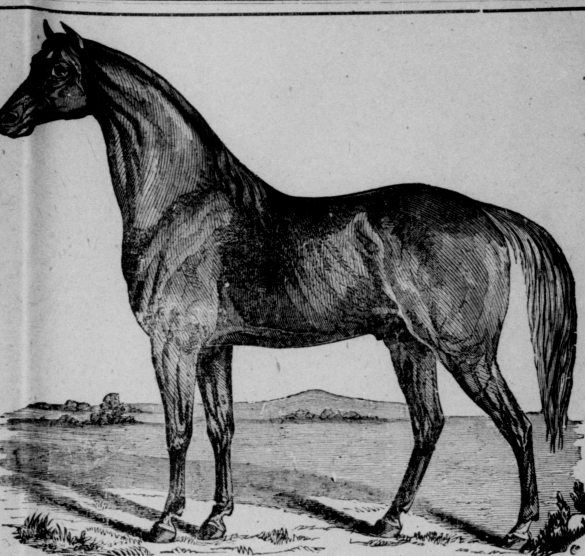
If a school-teacher does not feel pretty well acquainted with some parents whom she never met, she (or he) should retire from the business. She (or he) lacks the deductive reasoning faculty which is essential to a successful teacher.

The child is father of the man, but a good many of him has no particular occasion to be proud of his progeny.

**GOOD NATURE.**  
We Are All Neighbors and Should dwell Together in Amiable Fashion.

Nature came by inheritance and cultivation. Some are born miserable and some have misery thrust upon them, says the Presbyterian Journal. For these we have, or hope we do, the most unflinching sympathy. But there are those who in the absence of entitled misery have by industry and application succeeded in laying aside a very comfortable store of affliction. This world, unfortunately, does afford some opportunity for each of its inhabitants. We are all neighbors. The result is that people of various natures are compelled to know each other. Human existence must live as friends. Good nature is indispensable to one's own happiness. We all need it as an armor against the miseries of others. Life is a constant litigation. There are two parties to the action, the one who complains and the one who defends. Good nature is always on the defense. Many fail to discriminate between the frivolous and the humorous. The distinction is marked, but they fail to see it. One is the tinkling of an empty cymbal, the other the crest upon the sea. One suggests the shadows, the other the depths.

**True Hospitality.**  
There are just two in our family, but when I set the table I lay four plates; and then if anyone happens in at dinner time his or her place is ready. I say: "I was expecting you, see!" Sit down and eat with us, and they rarely refuse. Moreover, I know that there is a tiny bit of extra warmth at the heart in response.—Orange Judd Farmer.



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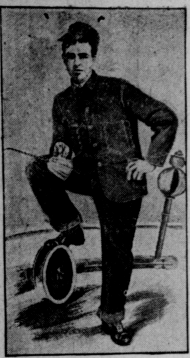
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## AN INCIDENT OF THE CIVIL WAR.

An incident of the civil war in which a well known Hickman man was the central figure, and which is fraught with considerable interest, owing to the being strictly of a local nature, and which has never before been told, was related to this week by the gentleman who played the leading role in the Confederate side of the episode which came very nearly resulting in the death of the narrator.

Early in the year 1863 Ben Wilson, then known there is not a better known citizen in the county, then 15 years old ran away from school to join the Confederate army. He enlisted in company "I" Seventh Kentucky Brigade, Buford's division of Forrest's cavalry, under Col. Sam Crossland in command of the brigade and Capt. Wess Campbell in command of the company. He saw plenty of the rough life endured by the soldiers of the confederacy, and at the time of the beginning of our story June 15, 1864, he had become a thorough soldier, and although of tender age and having seen but short service, he had already distinguished himself and been recommended for promotion by his superior officers. On that date, June 1864, Mr. Wilson, with a picked squad under Colonel Drew Outlaw and Capt. Campbell, was ordered on detached service from the headquarters at Raleigh, Station, Miss., the object of such service being the recruiting of new men and bringing back to the ranks of men who had been off on furlough and failed to return. This mission brought the squad to the country surrounding Hickman, and included Graves and Hickman counties, Ky., and Obion and Weakly counties, Tenn. Mr. Wilson's district comprised all that territory lying in Fulton County west of the Mobile & Ohio railroad. His home was located about two miles south of town, and it was there that he made his headquarters.

Lieutenant Wilson—for at that time he was carrying a commission as a first lieutenant, given in return for meritorious service rendered—had been located here some three months, recruiting and sending men into the service and was on the point of departing to rejoin his regiment then stationed in Tennessee, when one day in September, 1864, he rode up to the old City hotel and dismounted. The old hotel stood on Jackson street, on the exact spot where now stands the lumber shed of the Elison Mercantile company, and was owned and operated by Messrs. Henry Judson and Luke Dillon. He had no sooner dismounted than union soldiers turned the corner of both Kentucky and Cumberland streets, intent on effecting his capture. Taking in the situation at a glance, and with the knowledge that his capture meant certain death, he hurried into the house and out the back way, through the back yard and onto Carroll street, where he took up a position behind a three room house be-

longing to Thomas Dixon where the city had been located, and which had long since been removed. So certain were the Yanks that they had their quarry cornered, and so certain were they that he was in the hotel that they failed to search the exit except to the hotel yard. While it was true that Wilson was partially concealed, yet he was in plain sight of them and had any of them but turned around they could not have missed seeing him. He watched the Yanks for a while in their fruitless search, and then turned to ascend the hill. When he reached the lot on which now stands the residence recently purchased by the Misses Dodds, but which was then occupied by a stable belonging to Mrs. John Cusick, whose residence stood a little to the left upon the lot now occupied by the residence owned by Mr. Jack Millett, he suddenly ran upon three pickets who had been left to watch the hill. Luckily they all had their backs turned toward young Wilson and he was not discovered. He dodged back around the corner of the barn and ran under a corner of Mrs. Cusick's house, where he safely stowed himself away until all danger should pass. He called to Mrs. Cusick, whom he heard crossing the kitchen floor just above his head.

"Who's there?" cried the astonished lady with some trepidation.

"Ben Wilson," came the reply in a hoarse, low tone, "The Yanks are after me."

"All right," replied Mrs. Cusick with reassurance. "Keep perfectly quiet and you'll be all right. I see the three pickets coming this way, but they have not seen you. They act and look like they were hungry."

Needless to say that young Wilson made but mighty little noise, and directly he heard the following conversation:

"Madame, can you furnish me with something to eat?"

"Why certainly," replied Mrs. Cusick in her soft, engaging tone and homelike manner. "It always affords me the greatest pleasure to be of any service to soldiers. Kindly step this way and make yourself perfectly at home. I will have dinner prepared in the shortest time possible. While I am thus engaged you will do me a favor if you will consider the house your own and make yourselves as comfortable as my accommodations will permit."

The Yanks had scarcely anticipated such a welcome, and in consequence were thrown completely off their guard. They entered the house and awaited the preparation of the meal in silence. When all was prepared—and Mrs. Cusick, so Ben says, knew how to prepare an appetizing meal—the soldiers were called into the dining room, and he led to with a will. During the meal the general hostess sat at the table and engaged the trio in conversation and otherwise entertained them in the true style of southern hospitality. At its conclusion she invited them to stay the remainder of the day with her, and the prospects for a pleasant afternoon were so inviting that the invitation was accepted. Little did they dream that their general hostess was at that moment harboring the very man whom the Union forces had sent a special detachment to capture, who, because of his efficient work for the Confederate cause, made him an object especially desired by the North. They remained in the guests of Mrs. Cusick until shortly after four o'clock, when they took their departure.

During all this time, Lieutenant Wilson had remained as quiet as a mouse, hardly daring to stir for fear that he might reveal his presence, but with the departure of the Yankee soldiers he came forth. His horse, of course, was gone—captured by the soldiers when he ran into the City hotel—and he went with all haste to his home two miles south where he obtained a mule, which carried him safely to his regiment, then stationed at Perryville on the Tennessee river.

Shortly after rejoining his regiment it started south to rejoin Hood's army then at Corinth, Miss., and with that army young Wilson remained till the close of the war. Besides the detached service and special missions which he was called upon to perform he participated in the following named battles: Tishomingo Creek, Lewisburg, Lawrenceburg, Spring Hill, Paducah, Franklin, Columbus and Murfreesboro. At all these places he fought twice—going and coming. "We whipping going and coming," was Wilson's "whipping coming." On the other hand we have customers to praise the meritorious qualities of our preparation every day, and several remarkable cures have been reported to us of patients that have been cured of kidney trouble by taking one bottle of your Discovery, where all other preparations have failed. Wishing you success with your great remedy, we beg to remain, Very respectfully,

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Mr. Wilson rendered his most efficient service to the cause in his detached and special commands, and has many tales of narrow escapes and hair raising incidents that would make interesting reading. He can also tell some of the most interesting stories of the doings of the now famous Hickman Ku Klux Klan, which

operated in this vicinity during the war, and which kept large numbers of a minuscule and made life and property safe from the onslaughts of the violent and criminal elements extant during those trying times. He has a very retentive memory, and tells of his trials and tribulations during war times as though they were happenings of yesterday. He is yet in the prime of life, father time having dealt gently with him, and is enjoying life to its fullest extent on the old homestead south of town.

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Helm & Ellison have been able to secure only a limited supply of the specific, so great is the demand, and you should not delay in taking advantage of the liberal offer they are making this week.

## Struck Oil.

Hickman citizens holding stock in the St. Louis and Kentucky Oil company were considerably elated on last Saturday by the receipt of the news that their prospectors, in the oil fields located at Monticello, Kentucky, had struck a gusher and that the oil was gushing forth from the pipe at the rate of 14 barrels per hour, or 350 barrels per day. Concerning this well the press dispatches of Saturday said:

"The best well which came in this week belongs to the St. Louis Kentucky Oil Co. of Nashville. It is estimated that this well will be normal at a production of not less than one hundred barrels a day with chances in favor of a greater figure. It was drilled by H. H. Gillespie of Nashville, who was one of the owners of the well and despite many difficulties he brought it in only a day or so late. G. C. Terry, of Nashville, representing the St. Louis Kentucky company, was on the scene when the well came in. One remarkable feature to this well is that the oil flowed over beam about ten feet with a very slight gas pressure. This light gas pressure is accepted to mean that the drilling has simply gone to a permanent oil spot, and that the well will do better as it grows older. Right now the production is 14 barrels an hour."

The headquarters of the St. Louis and Kentucky Oil company are located in Nashville. It was previously the Wickliffe Oil and Mining company and at the time of its reorganization under its new name all the stock of the old company was transferred into the new one. As will be seen from the foregoing clipping, the well bids fair to increase its output with age, and in the event that the expectations are realized, the stock which has heretofore been considered worthless by its holders here will prove of considerable value, and may "pay out" something handsome for the lucky ones. The extent or value of the stock cannot of course be estimated, and time alone can reveal what it will be worth. All the stockholders are excited by the Couriers man Saturday were quite jubilant over the strike, and were highly pleased to feel with some degree of certainty that their investment was not to turn out a total loss as many had confidently expected.

Those holding shares in the St. Louis and Kentucky Oil company, so far as can be ascertained, are Col. H. Buchanan, Dr. S. K. Davidson, R. M. Isler, Miss Jessie Isler, F. T. Randle, T. T. Swayne, W. S. Ellison, C. B. Travis, Kenneth Anderson and Ben Shaw.

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## A Surprise Wedding.

A wedding that was a complete surprise to everyone except the contracting parties was consummated at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Graham, last Friday night at 8 o'clock, wherein were united the lives of George Moscham and Miss Ivy Butler, the Rev. H. G. Johnson officiating. After the ceremony a bridal party repaired to the home of the groom on Troy avenue, where an elaborate wedding supper was served.

The groom is one of the town's most substantial citizens and is highly respected by all who know him. He is the owner of several fine bottom farms and his time is devoted to the care of these and other interests. The bride is a charming young lady who has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Graham for several years, and is loved by her friends for her many accomplishments and beautiful traits of character. The happy couple will make their home at the groom's residence on Troy avenue, and have the best wishes of a large circle of friends for a long and happy life.

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